

Amendment No. 1 to HB0387

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 313\***

**House Bill No. 387**

by deleting the language "and" at the end of subdivision (a)(1)(A), and deleting subdivision (a)(1)(B) of the amendatory language of Section 1 and substituting instead the following:

(B) "Diagnosis" means:

(i) The differential diagnosis of human ailments through examination and evaluation of patients and through diagnostic procedures necessary to clinically correlate a physical examination to a diagnostic impression;

(ii) The ordering of X-rays, advanced diagnostic imaging, and other diagnostic procedures;

(iii) The performance of X-rays and other non-invasive diagnostic procedures, as well as minimally invasive procedures for which the chiropractic physician has received training by an institution accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education or its successor and which have been approved by the board of chiropractic examiners after consultation with the board of medical examiners; and

(iv) The collection of blood, urine, saliva, and hair for analysis; provided, however, venipuncture shall only be done by a phlebotomist or other person who is properly trained to draw blood;

(C) "Practice of chiropractic" means the diagnosis and treatment of patients, as defined in subdivisions (a)(1)(B) and (a)(1)(D); and

(D) "Treatment" means:

(i) The treatment of neuromuscular, musculoskeletal, and related conditions through the use of chiropractic adjustment and manipulation; physical agent modalities;

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physical therapeutics; manual, rehabilitative, and other therapeutic care; and  
mechanical, chemical, electrical, and thermal methods;

(ii) The use of acupuncture by a chiropractic physician who has completed two hundred fifty (250) hours of an accredited acupuncture course and has passed the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners Acupuncture Exam;

(iii) The location and removal of interference with nerve transmission and nerve function;

(iv) The making of appropriate referrals to other healthcare professionals for conditions that are outside the scope of practice of a chiropractic physician;

(v) The ordering of durable medical equipment for patients who need such equipment to assist in the restoration of their health under the plan of care for treatment of their neuromuscular, musculoskeletal, and related conditions; and

(vi) The provision of supportive care with due regard for nutrition, hygiene, sanitation, and rehabilitation designed to assist in the restoration and maintenance of a patient's health.

**AND FURTHER AMEND** by deleting Section 7 and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-4-123(a)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting the following:

(1) The board shall adopt rules that establish minimum educational standards and criteria for chiropractic therapy assistants performing physical agent modalities, physical treatment, and clinical services that are within the scope of practice of a chiropractic physician and, under the supervision of a chiropractic physician, either in the

office of the chiropractic physician or in the presence of the chiropractic physician at another location.